

## The Citizen.

### HERE AND THERE.

Any one that can keep up a flow of spirit (the kind that don't cost anything, we mean) during such Noah's Ark weather as this has been, is a person worthy to be made immortal by verse sublime. There aren't going to be many candidates for the honor either.

What is the next subject of conversation one generally introduces after the weather? Politics, if you're a man, the气候, if you're a woman. But there's nothing new under the sun there, either, or usual; the country is going to destruction, and even a "confection in the way of a new gown will sometimes fall to charm."

Under such circumstances it's a pious lie to talk about the poor, and perhaps do less to as much advantage as did the boys of Mr. McVicker's school 12 Montclair, who on Thursday, said forth in a truly intent on their kind errands.

They went, like the Greeks in our old Latin readers, "bearing gifts," and many found them visit an added cause for thanksgiving.

On Saturday Mrs. G. Lee Stout will leave town for Lakewood, N. J., where she expects to spend about two weeks.

Miss Randolph from New York has been spending several days with Mrs. John Newton.

Ten weeks have gone by since the first meeting of the Card Club and it will meet to-night at M<sup>r</sup>. Edward Ward.

This was meant merely as an item of information, but it reads like a poster. Nevertheless, let it stand; as a statement it may not be very ornate, but it possesses the shining virtue of truth.

Cards have been sent out by Mrs. Amzi Dugay, Mrs. Leonard Richards and Miss Todd, for a reception on Monday, December second, from five to eight.

Henceforth when anything "past, present or to be" is mentioned in this column it is going to have the date affixed, not just an ambiguous "Monday" or "Friday," because people can't be expected to understand that it is written Thursday, usually distinguished Friday, and dated Saturday—all of which is rather complicated. For suppose that the writer who writes in haste on a Thursday much morning should merely say, "On Friday such and such an event occurred." Then would the trusting Saturday morning reader remark: "Last night! oh yes!" whereas he would be a week out of the way.

The last fortnight, at Dr. Wilson's, proved to be one of the most enjoyable evenings recorded in the annals of the Club. Short papers and selections from George Eliot's writings, an agonizing and protracted struggle over the minutes which occupied hours, and the election of new officers—or, better, the re-election of the old—filled up the very delightful evening.

Westminster Church is very much interested in its coming anniversary, commemorating the twentieth year of its prosperous existence. Every form of work is going on eagerly; there are no empty pews in church or vacant seats in prayer-meeting, and the pastor, even in so short a time, has possessed himself of the hearty devotion of his people. Therefore Westminster is looking forward very contentedly to its coming celebration on the 19th of December. There will be appropriate services both morning and evening on the preceding Sunday, in which it is expected that the children of the Sunday School will take part, and on Thursday evening—the 19th there will be a social reunion in the church parlor, to which all the former members of the church are to be invited. The programme for this evening has not been announced, but we are very sure that there is to be one. At one of the services mentioned Dr. Clement French, of Newark, is expected to speak.

Every week for quite a while we have "made conversation" about that Glen Ridge fair, and it's getting to be quite as much expected as the time table (only it never migrates from time to time as does the time table). There are going to be more things at that fair, evidently, than are dreamed of in our philosophy. Every thing from a peppermint stick to a plough, from a lace apron to a ton of coal. All this is most bewildering. We only hope the fair who are superintending the other fair won't run an annex a bit on the green. The grocers think that their hill customers are on strike. Not so. They are doing without the necessities of life in order to have more to purchase, "at the fair."

It is rumored that few tickets have been sold among us. Isn't that rather a pity? Certainly, at this late day, no one would willingly see the new church suffer because the receipts of the fair fell below the sum expected. But probably this is needless, and almost many of us, remembering the friendship which has always existed between the hill and the village, will be on hand.

And this little paragraph wasn't written because of any thing said by the people most interested, but merely as a bit of friendly feeling.

### Hill vs. Roberts.

The suit in Chancery of William H. Hill against Jeremiah E. Roberts was brought to an abrupt termination last week. The proceedings in this case grew out of a dispute between Mr. Hill and Mr. Pierce, the mason who was erecting Mr. Hill's building on Broad Street. Mr. Hill took from Mr. Pierce the work of completing the building, the latter with a number of others fled before the building for a larger amount than Mr. Hill admitted was due. Legal proceedings were referred to Mr. Hill retained William C. Headley and Alpheus Struble, Newark lawyers, who filed a bill in the Court of Chancery to compel the different claimants to settle their disputes among themselves. The bill in this case was designed to act as a barrier to the filing of mechanics' liens. It was followed by an injunction restraining the several claimants from filing liens against the building. L. C. Carlisle, a dealer in masons' materials in Newark,

was a claimant, and retained Messrs. F. H. and F. R. Pitch as his counsel. Mr. William Baldwin, another of his defendants, retained Mr. Halsey M. Barrett and Mr. William H. Pierce and Charles H. Martin, also defendants, retained Messrs. Gallagher and Richards. The next move in the case was made by Mr. F. H. Pitch, who applied to Vice Chancellor Van Vleet for an order dissolving the injunction on the ground that the contractors had made reference to certain specifications which in this case were an essential part of the contracts and should have been filed with the documents. The Vice Chancellor sustained Mr. Pitch and an order was granted dissolving the injunction to Mr. Carlisle. Mr. Martin, Gallagher and Richards immediately gave notice of a motion for the dissolution of the injunction as to their clients. The result was the withdrawal of the complainant's bill. This ended the Chancery proceedings, and Mr. Hill will contest the items in the Circuit Court before Judge Depue.

### A High School Class Reunion.

The Class of '89 were given a delightful reunion last Friday evening at the house of Mr. Theodore H. Ward, East Park Place. The entire class and a number of the usherers who served them Commencement night, as well as Mr. and Mrs. Durbar and Miss Ella and Miss Mary Draper, were present. Rumor says that the young ladies "all wore their graduating dresses." If so the writer will be spared an account, and will let the readers of *The Citizen* stretch their memories backward a little. Some one asked:

"Did they dance?" If any one supposes that a class of lively young graduates could sit still the whole evening, they are mistaken. Under the motto: "Desert Qui Non Certaverit" they tripped the light fantastic toe to the music of waltzes, galops, polkas, etc., and it did seem as if the good old motto applied to "good times" so easily as well as more sober undertakings intellectually.

The class parted at a late hour, each with a most pleasurable remembrance of the occasion, the "single thought" being that Mr. and Mrs. Ward are the most hospitable of entertainers.

### A Road Board Decision.

The Supreme Court has rendered an important decision in the case of William A. Aldridge and others vs. the Essex Public Board and Lydia Andrus and others vs. the same board, cases which have been in litigation a long time. They made appeals from the awards made by Commissioners appointed to assess benefits for the construction of Bloomfield Avenue through Bloomfield and Montclair. The assessments were set aside by the Court of Errors and Appeals because the assessors appointed by the Supreme Court at the request of the road board had included in the amount assessed the cost of the Newark and Pompton Turnpike, which was \$5,988.56 in Montclair and \$8,276.40 in Bloomfield. Application was then made in July last by the Road Board, to the Supreme Court to make reassessment under the act of 1881. The Court appointed ex-Judge Thomas Anderson, a Supreme Court Commissioner, to "ascertain and report what proportion of the existing assessment is represented by the cost of the Newark and Pompton Turnpike, and what will be the amount of each assessment when that is eliminated to the end that an order may be made levying a lawful assessment for the proper amounts."

Judge Anderson, after an examination into the case, made a report in which he eliminated the amounts paid for the turnpike, scaled down each assessment proportionately, the amount struck out being about one-tenth in each case. On receiving this report on Friday last the Supreme Court confirmed Judge Anderson's report and ordered that the record in these cases be remitted to the Road Board, and that the Clerk of the Supreme Court send therewith certified copies to the commissioners as the record of the assessment made by that Court to the end that such proceedings may be had for the collection of the assessment as are provided by law. This decision will bring to the treasury of the Road Board about \$160,000.

### A State Poultry Association.

At a meeting of poultrymen held at Trenton, Nov. 13th, in response to Circular issued by Mr. J. H. Baldwin, of Orange, Secretary of the New Jersey State Poultry Society, it was resolved to invite all County Boards of Agriculture and all local Poultry Associations, to send delegates to a Convention to be held at the State Street Hotel, Trenton, on Wednesday, Dec. 4th, 1889, at 10:30 A. M., for the purpose of forming a State Poultry Association. A committee was appointed to prepare a Constitution and By-Laws to present to the meeting of the delegates.

The organization of this association is at the request of the State Board of Agriculture, and it is hoped that all who are interested will attend. Among the objects of the Association are the following: To improve, by any and proper means, the poultry industry; to work in union with the N. J. State Board of Agriculture, and the Poultry Association already formed; to furnish lectures which will attend the meetings of the County Boards of Agriculture, or Farmers' Institutes; to co-operate with the State Experiment Station, if necessary, in conducting experiments in poultry raising; to recommend to the County Associations throughout the State competent men to pass judgment upon their poultry exhibits, and, in future, if advisable, to hold one or more exhibitions in places to be decided upon by the Board of Directors.

### Santa Claus' Warehouse.

THE PLACE FROM WHICH HE DRAWS SUPPLIES.—Dear old Santa Claus will be around soon again with his beautiful reindeers and majestic sled. Filled high will it be with many things to bring pleasure to the people he loves best.

Where does he get all his things? This is a question often asked.

Who is it that he finds deserving of his great patronage?

Who is it that can supply his immense demands? Where is his warehouse?

Persons calling for the above will please ask for advertised letters. T. E. HAYES, P. M.

### A Safe Investment.

Is one which is guaranteed to bring you satisfactory results, or in case of failure a return of purchase price. On this safe plan you can buy from our advertised Drugglist a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It is guaranteed to bring relief to all cases of consumption, as well as to the affection of Throat, Lungs or Chest, such as consumption, Inflammation of Lungs, Bronchitis, Asthma, Whooping Cough, Croup, etc., etc. It is pleasant and agreeable to taste, perfectly safe, and can always be depended upon. Trial bottles free at Grocer M. Woods Drug Store.

It is no secret. Good old Santa Claus has no secrets. At least none to any but children and these he keeps a little secret. Why but L. S. Plant & Co. would be his agents and where else but the Newark Bee Hive should one look for find his warehouse?

A glance at their advertisement first page of this paper gives for his agency in making this place his headquarters. With their old Santa Claus has an easy time of it now as he does store that vast amount of stuff carried about with him before the dawn of Christmas Day?

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